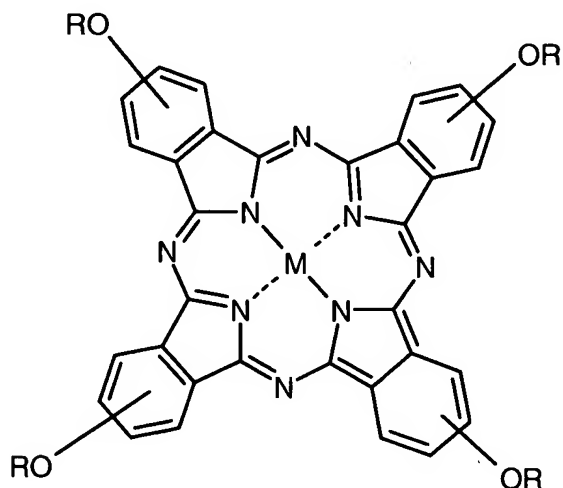


**Method for producing alkoxy-substituted phthalocyanins**

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The invention relates to a process for preparing alkoxy-substituted, metal-containing phthalocyanines of the formula (I)

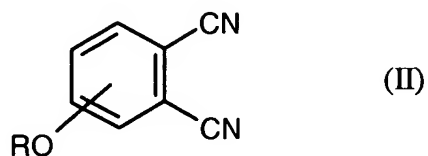


where

R is substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or cycloalkyl,

M is a divalent metal atom, metaloxy or a trivalent or tetravalent substituted metal atom,

characterized in that the phthalonitrile of the formula (II)



is reacted in the presence of a metal salt and a base in a water-miscible solvent.